IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

| Benne Singletary, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
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| |) | |
| v. |) | |
| |) | Civil Action No. 06-315- JJF |
| C/O Gosnell, and C/O Waples |) | |
| Defendants. | | |

DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO TAKE DEPOSITION OF PLAINTIFF

Defendants, by undersigned counsel, hereby move for leave of Court pursuant to Federal Rule Civil Procedure 30(a)(2) and Local Rule 30.1 to take the deposition Benne Singletary, by oral examination, who is confined in the Delaware Correctional Center, Smyrna, Delaware in order for Defendants to obtain discovery regarding matters relevant to their defense.

Since the plaintiff in this action is an unrepresented prisoner incarcerated in the Delaware Correctional Center, and is unable to be reached by telephone and other contact is impractical, counsel has spent no time attempting to reach an agreement on the subject of the motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendants respectfully requests that the deposition by oral examination of Benne Singletary be taken on Friday, February 16, 2007 at 10:00 AM at the Delaware Correctional Center, Smyrna, Delaware and same be taken before a person authorized to administer oaths pursuant to Rule 28 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The deposition will be recorded by stenographic means.

STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

/s/ Ophelia M. Waters
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Dated: February 2, 2007

| SO ORDERED this | day of February, 2007. | |
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| | United States District Judge | |

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7.1.1 CERTIFICATE OF COUNSEL

Undersigned counsel hereby certifies, pursuant to Local Rule 7.1.1, that:

- Plaintiff Benne Singletary is currently incarcerated and it is not practical for undersigned counsel to communicate with him concerning Defendants' Motion for Leave to Depose Plaintiff.
 - 2. Therefore, undersigned counsel assumes that the Motion is opposed.

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/s/ Ophelia M. Waters

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Dated: February 2, 2007

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 2, 2007, the undersigned caused the attached *Defendants' Motion For Leave to Depose Plaintiff* to be filed with the Clerk of Court using CM/ECF and delivered to the following person(s) in the form and manner indicated:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECIPIENT(S):

Benne Singletary, Inmate SBI # 00228197 Delaware Correctional Center 1181 Paddock Road Smyrna, DE 19977

MANNER OF DELIVERY:

| One true copy by facsimile transmission to each recipient |
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| ✓ Two true copies by first class mail, postage prepaid, to each recipient |
| Two true copies by Federal Express |
| Two true copies by hand delivery to each recipient |

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